

## REPORT

*Of the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, in the case of Catherine Louderman, with a bill for her relief.*

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FEBRUARY 11, 1824.

Read, and, with the bill, committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

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The Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred, on the 2d of February, the petition of Catherine Louderman, have had the same under consideration; and

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That the petitioner states that she is the mother of John Louderman, who enlisted in a company of artillery, under the command of captain Nathan Towson, and served in said company, in Upper Canada, in the late war; that the said John Louderman received a wound while in the performance of his duty, which caused him to be placed in the hospital, from whence he was discharged in June, 1815; that, on his way to the city of Washington, to obtain his pension and bounty land, he reached the home of the petitioner his mother, but was unable to proceed any further, in consequence of his wound, and remained with her about nine months, lingering with pain, when he died, on the 30th of April, 1816. The petitioner further states, that she is an old and poor woman, whose slender means were exhausted in furnishing food and other necessities to her deceased son, and that she stands in need of the remuneration which would have been had, had her son applied for his pension previous to his death, and which he failed to do, in consequence of his wounds; she prays that a sum of money be paid to her equal to the amount which she would have been entitled to receive, had her son succeeded and applied for a pension. Your Committee further report, from the letter of J. L. Edwards, dated War Department, Pension Office, 5th February, 1824, and a copy of the surgeon and hospital surgeon's certificate accompanying said letter, if John Louderman had have lived and applied to the War Department, he would have been placed on the list of

pensioners, from the 13th day of June, 1815, at the rate of \$6 40 per month, which would have continued to the 30th of April, 1816, the day of his death.

Your committee are of opinion that the petitioner has an equitable claim, and report a bill for her relief.